

FORTY-FOURTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,

Wednesday, March 11, 1925.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Barry Miller.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Berkeley.	Parr.
Bledsoe.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Davis.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Russek.
Hardin of Erath.	Smith.
Hardin of Kaufman	Strong.
Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Triplett.
Miller.	Ward.
Moore of Hunt.	Wirtz.
Moore of Cooke.	Witt.
Murphy.	Wood.
Parnell.	Woodward.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey.

Prayer by Dr. Jewett of Austin.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator Ward.

Excused.

Senator Bailey was excused for today and tomorrow on account of important business on motion of Senator Holbrook.

Bills and Resolutions.

By Senator Parr:

S. B. No. 452, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation to the Livestock Sanitary Commission to cover the compensation and expenses of inspectors and the expenses of procuring and furnishing cattle dip and materials and ingredients for cattle dip, in the performance of duties imposed by law upon said commission in reference to tick eradication work, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Finance.

Invitations.

Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Dear Sir: The Texas Fine Arts Association invites the members of

the Senate, their families and friends, to a reception in their honor at the Elisabeth Ney Museum Thursday afternoon, March 12, from 5 to 7.

Very Respectfully,

WM. J. BATTLE, President.

EDNA COLLINS, Secretary.

On motion of Senator Pollard the invitation was accepted.

House Bill No. 26.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 26, A bill to be entitled "An Act determining and fixing the annual salary of the county superintendent of public instruction of Jefferson County, Texas; providing for the payment of said salary; providing for the payment of office and traveling expenses, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill Days.

Senator Pollard asked unanimous consent to take up a Senate bill.

The Chair held that the joint rules prevented the consideration of Senate bills on today and tomorrow, the two days being for the consideration of House bills only.

House Bill No. 110.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 110, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that counties that borrowed money from the State of Texas under the provisions of Section 13, Chapter 4, Acts of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, passed at the Fourth Called Session, may by payment of accrued interest be given an option of five years additional time in which to return the principal, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 220.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 220, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 39, under Section 1 of House bill No. 136, being Chapter 168 of the General Laws passed at the Regular Session of the

Thirty-eighth Legislature, relative to public roads and highways, so as to except and exempt from the said chapter the county of Bowie, Texas."

The Committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 316.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 316, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Cyclone Common School District No. 9, in Bell County, Texas, etc."

The Committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 320.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 320, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 6901a of Chapter 1, Title 1119 of the Revised Statutes of Texas of 1911, as enacted by Chapter 29, of the General Laws of the Fourth Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and as amended by Chapter 98 of the General Laws, Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, and as amended by Chapter 184 of the General Laws, Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, being an Act to change the designated year upon which is based the assessed valuation of taxable properties affected by the Act to be amended, and relating to the compensation of county commissioners; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The Committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading, by the following vote:

Yeas—14.

Berkeley.	Real.
Bowers.	Reid.
Floyd.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Stuart.
Moore of Hunt.	Triplett.
Murphy.	Wood.
Parnell.	Woodward.

Nays—9.

Bledsoe.	Pollard.
Hardin of Erath.	Smith.
Hardin of Kaufman	Strong.
Lewis.	Ward.
Miller.	

Absent.

Davis.	Price.
Fairchild.	Wirtz.
Moore of Cooke.	Witt.
Parr.	

Absent—Excused.

Bailey.

Message From the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

H. B. No. 391, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 5515 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1911, providing present biennial sessions of the Legislature into two terms each; describing the length of such terms; the time when they shall convene; regulating the work to be performed in each; and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith."

H. B. No. 500, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Boone County Line Common School District No. 9, lying in Midland and Glasscock Counties, Texas; validating all acts of the board of trustees of said county line district with respect to contracts; validating all taxes heretofore voted and levied upon the territory of said district; placing said district under the General Laws of the State, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 528, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Fort Worth Independent School District, and defining its boundaries; providing that said Act shall automatically extend to all territory which may hereafter be included in the new city limits by an extension thereof, and providing how the territory adjacent to said district may become part of said district; authorizing and providing the manner of selection of trustees, and describing their qualifications and terms of office, and organizing the board of

education of the Fort Worth Independent School District and continuing the present school board, known as the board of trustees of the Independent School District of Fort Worth, until the organization of the board of education, etc."

H. B. No. 541, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Sherwood Independent School District in Irion County, Texas, and defining the boundaries of all adjoining districts thereto."

H. B. No. 545, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Flynt Independent School District in Swisher County, Texas."

H. B. No. 549, A bill to be entitled "An Act exempting Travis County for a period of two years from the provisions of Chapter 12, Section 3, Acts of 1917, Third Called Session, as amended by Chapter 87, Section 3, Acts 1918, Fourth Called Session, and Chapter 172, Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, and providing for an emergency."

H. B. No. 573, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Nell Independent School District, situated in Live Oak County, Texas; providing for a board of seven trustees; defining the powers of said board of trustees; placing the district in all other matters under the provisions of the General Law, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 583, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Ratcliff Independent School District."

H. B. No. 585, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Oak Grove Common School District in Aransas County, Texas."

H. B. No. 628, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 33 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature so as to fix the terms of court in the counties composing the Fourth Judicial District, and declaring an emergency."

The House refuses to concur in Senate amendments to H. B. No. 100, and requests the appointment of a free conference committee to adjust the differences. The Speaker appoints the following on the part of the House: Wallace, Storey, Powell, Johnson, Moore.

H. C. R. No. 42, ordering certain corrections on enrolled copy of H. B. No. 277.

Respectfully submitted,
C. L. PHINNEY,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 100, F. C. C. On.

Seator Wood called up H. B. No. 100 and moved that the Senate grant the request of the House for a Free Conference Committee.

The motion was adopted.

The Chair appointed the following as the committee on part of the Senate: Senators Wood, Pollard, Strong, Floyd and Murphy.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 42.

The Chair laid before the Senate, H. C. R. No. 42, relating to correction, by the enrolling clerk, of S. B. No. 277.

The resolution was read and adopted.

House Bill No. 332.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 332, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 19, Local and Special Laws, passed by the Thirty-seventh Legislature at its First Called Session, as amended by Chapter 88, Local and Special Laws, passed by the Thirty-eighth Legislature at its Regular Session, creating the Canton Independent School District in Van Zandt County, Texas; defining its boundaries, providing for the extension thereof, including the present Canton Independent School District; providing for a board of trustees in said district, conferring upon said district and its boards of trustees all the rights, powers, privileges and duties now conferred and imposed by the General Laws of Texas upon independent school districts and the boards of trustees thereof; providing that the present board of trustees continue in office until the expiration of their respective terms; providing that the outstanding bonded indebtedness of each school district included within the bounds of said district shall remain chargeable against the territory which voted the same; providing that the district as herein created may assume such outstanding bonded indebtedness; providing for the repeal of all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 369.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 369, A bill to be entitled "An Act to change and prescribe the time for holding District Court of the Thirty-first Judicial District of the State; and to conform all writs and process from such court to such changes and to make all writs and process issued or served before this Act takes effect including recognizance and bonds, returnable to the terms of court in the several counties in said district, as herein fixed and to validate the summoning of grand petit jurors, and juries, and providing for the continuation of court in session in said district when this Act takes effect, to the end of its term; and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 339.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 399, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Asherton Independent School District in Dimmit County, Texas; defining its boundaries; providing for a board of trustees in said district; conferring upon said district and its board of trustees all the rights and powers, privileges, duties and liabilities now conferred and imposed by the General Laws of Texas upon independent school districts and the board of trustees thereof; declaring that all taxes or bonds heretofore authorized by Asherton Common School District No. 2 of Dimmit County, Texas, shall remain in full force and effect, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 427.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 427, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create Neal Common School District in Tyler County, Texas, including therein the territory of the Common School District No. 36 of the said county; providing a board of trustees therefor, vesting

said school district board of trustees with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred upon common school districts incorporated under the General Laws of Texas; and providing for a board of trustees to serve until the time for the next election of school trustees as provided by General Law; providing for the validation of all contracts for the maintenance of the schools of the territory herein incorporated for the current scholastic year; providing for an election to determine as to the outstanding bonded indebtedness of the territory herein incorporated, as herein set out; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 104.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 104, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating Morton Independent School District in Cochran County."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time, and Senator Bledsoe offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend H. B. No. 104, by striking out all of Section 1 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Section 1. That the Morton Independent School District in Cochran County, Texas, is hereby created and established, and includes within its limits the following described territory, as shown by the following metes and bounds, to-wit:

Beginning at the northeast corner of Cochran County. Thence south along the east boundary line of said county to the point of intersection of said line with the north boundary line of League No. 84, Shackleford County school land. Thence west along the north boundary lines of Leagues No. 84, Shackleford County school land, and No. 85, Greer County school land to the northwest corner of League No. 85, Greer County school land. Thence west in extension of said line to a point in the east boundary line of League No. 100, Brewster County school land.

Thence north with the said east line of League No. 100, Brewster County school land to the northeast corner of said League No. 100, Brewster County school land. Thence west along the north boundary line of League No. 100, Brewster County school land to the northwest corner of said league. Thence south along the west boundary line of said League No. 100, Brewster County school land to the northeast corner of League No. 117, Knox County school land. Thence west along the north boundary lines of Leagues No. 117, Knox County school land and No. 128, Coke County school land to the northwest corner of League No. 128, Coke County school land. Thence north along the west boundary lines of Leagues No. 127, 126 and 125, Coke County school land, and thence north with the west boundary lines of Leagues 124 and 123, Childress County school land to the point of intersection of the west boundary line of League No. 123, Childress County school land and the north boundary line of Cochran County. Thence east with the north boundary line of Cochran County to the place of beginning.

The bill was passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 459.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading.

H. B. No. 459, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend an Act of the Second Called Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature entitled 'Creating the Westover Independent School District,' Chapter 13, defining the boundaries of said district; giving the trustees thereof power to increase its areas, providing for the assumption of pro rata indebtedness annexed territory, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 462.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading.

H. B. No. 462, A bill to be entitled "An Act to levy and collect annually a three-dollar road tax against all able-bodied male citizens of Waller County, who are between the ages of 21 and 45 years; providing the manner of assessment and collection of said tax and

further providing for a penalty for failure or refusal to pay such tax, repealing all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 470.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading.

H. B. No. 470, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Reagan County Independent School District in Reagan County, Texas, providing a board of trustees therefor; vesting said independent school district board of trustees with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred upon independent school districts organized under the General Laws of Texas; providing for a board of trustees for the said district to serve until the time for the next election of school trustees in independent school districts as provided by General Laws; authorizing the said Reagan County Independent School District to hold an election to determine whether or not the said district shall assume and make provision for the payment of the outstanding indebtedness of the territory incorporated herein; validating and continuing in force current contracts and tax levies of districts included in the Reagan County Independent District for the present scholastic year, and declaring an emergency."

The Committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 484.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading.

H. B. No. 484, A bill to be entitled "An Act changing the boundaries of Caldwell Common School District No. 6 in Lubbock County, Texas, and Abernathy Independent School District in Lubbock and Hale Counties, Texas, and transferring a portion of the territory now embraced in Abernathy Independent School District to Caldwell Common School District No. 6, and providing that Caldwell Common School District No. 6 shall assume and pay the portion of the bonded indebtedness of Abernathy

Independent School District which it is obligated to assume in taking over the additional lands, and declaring an emergency."

The Committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 485.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 485, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Bledsoe Independent School District in Lubbock County, Texas, out of territory now comprising Bledsoe Common School District No. 5, in Lubbock County, Texas, etc."

The Committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 486.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 486, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Willow Wells Independent School District, in Terry County, out of territory now composing Willow Wells Common School District No. 14 in said county as heretofore created, defining its boundaries; providing for a board of trustees thereof, and defining their powers and authority; authorizing said board of trustees to levy, assess and collect taxes for maintenance and building purposes and to issue bonds therefor; providing for an assessor and collector of taxes thereof; providing for a board of equalization for said district; providing that all outstanding obligations and indebtedness of said Common School District No. 14 in Terry County shall be assumed by and become binding obligations of said Willow Wells Independent School District, providing for the validation of all such obligations and indebtedness; continuing in force the certain maintenance tax heretofore voted in said Common School District No. 14; providing that title to all public free school property within said territory shall vest in said Willow Wells Independent School District; providing for the election and terms of office of trustees of said Willow Wells Independent School District, and declaring an emergency."

The Committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 490.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 490, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create and establish the Richmond Independent School District in Fort Bend County, Texas, including therein the territory of the present Richmond Independent District as incorporated under the General Law; providing a board of trustees for the said district and conferring upon the board of trustees the rights, powers and duties prescribed by General Law for independent school district trustees; validating current contracts to indebtedness and tax levies of the present Richmond Independent District as the valid and subsisting contracts, indebtedness and taxes of the district as hereby created, and declaring an emergency."

The Committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time, and on motion of Senator Holbrook further consideration was indefinitely postponed.

House Bill No. 493.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 493, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Tell Independent School District in Childress, Hall and Cottle Counties, Texas, including therein the present Common and County Line School District No. 9 of Hall, Childress and Cottle Counties and the Tell Independent District of Hall and Childress Counties; providing a board of trustees therefor, vesting said Tell Independent School District board of trustees with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred upon independent school districts incorporated under the General Laws of Texas; providing for the validation of all current contracts of the said Common County Line School District No. 9, and the present Tell Independent District, as the subsisting obligations and acts of the Tell Independent School District as created by this Act; providing for an election to determine

as to the assumption of outstanding bonded indebtedness of territory hereby incorporated, as herein set out, and declaring an emergency."

The Committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 352.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 352, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 7 and 8, Chapter 19, of the Local and Special Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, and adding thereto Sections 8a and 8b, relating to quorum; providing for the appointment of certain officers, board of equalization, and providing for the execution of bond by certain officers of the Garwood Independent School Districts in Colorado County, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 504.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 504, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Newcastle Independent School District lying in Young County in the State of Texas, etc."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 509.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 509, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Common County Line School District No. 9 in Scurry, Borden and Mitchell Counties, Texas; providing a board of trustees thereof, and vesting said common county line school district board of trustees with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred upon common county line school districts incorporated under the General Laws of Texas; conferring upon Scurry County jurisdiction over said district; providing for an election to determine as to the assumption of

outstanding bonded indebtedness of territory hereby incorporated, as herein set out, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 510.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 510, A bill to be entitled "An Act to incorporate Bradshaw Independent School District in Taylor and Runnels Counties, Texas, as an independent school district, etc."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 514.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 514 A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Conroe Independent School District in Montgomery County."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 516.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 516, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Motley Independent School District of Rusk County; defining its boundaries; vesting it with rights, powers, duties and privileges of districts incorporated for school purposes only under the General Laws; providing for a board of trustees therefor, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 517.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 517, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Sulphur Springs Independent School District of Rusk County; defining its boundaries; vest-

ing it with rights, powers, duties and privileges of districts incorporated for school purposes only under the General Laws; providing for a board of trustees therefor, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 522.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 522, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Bluffdale Independent School District in Erath County, Texas, including therein the present Bluffdale Independent School District No. 8, of Erath County; providing a board of trustees therefor; vesting said Bluffdale Independent School District board of trustees with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred upon independent school districts incorporated under the General Laws of Texas; providing for the validation of all current contracts, taxes and bond issues of the said Bluffdale Independent School District No. 8, as the subsisting obligations and Acts of the Bluffdale Independent School District as created by this Act; providing for an election to determine as to the assumption of outstanding indebtedness of territory hereby incorporated, as herein set out, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 282.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 282, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the offices of county weighers in all counties in Texas having a population of not less than 55,700 and not more than 55,800, according to the United States census for 1920; and prescribing the qualifications for such office and the power and duties thereof."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time, and Senator Floyd offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend H. B. No. 282, Section 4, by adding the word "Justice" after the word "except" in line 3.

The bill was then passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 520.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 520, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Plymouth Independent School District in Collingsworth County, Texas, including therein the present Plymouth Independent School District No. 17 of Collingsworth County; providing a board of trustees therefor, vesting said Plymouth Independent School District board of trustees with all the rights, privileges and duties conferred upon independent school districts incorporated under the General Laws of Texas; providing for the validation of all current contracts, taxes and bond issue of the said Plymouth Independent School District No. 17, as the subsisting obligations and Acts of the Plymouth Independent School District as created by this Act, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 534.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 534, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Harral County Line School District in Lubbock County and Hale County, Texas."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 552.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 552, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Happy Independent School District, in Terry County, Texas, out of territory now composing Happy Common School District No. 11, in said county, as heretofore created and adding thereto, certain territory now within the bounds of the Gomez Independent School District, heretofore created by Act of the Legisla-

ture, and defining its boundaries."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 532.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 532, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize water improvement districts or conservation and reclamation districts which are or may be operated under contract with the United States government of any department thereof, to acquire, construct, operate, lease or otherwise control, use or employ steam and water power facilities and plants for the generation, distribution and supply of electrical energy; giving them authority to incur indebtedness for the accomplishment of such purposes and authorizing the issuance of bonds therefor, subject to the regulations, terms, conditions and provisions of Chapter 87, General Laws Thirty-fifth Legislature, Regular Session, relating to issuance and sale of bonds, and of the Acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto; authorizing such districts to contract with districts organized under the laws of other states; authorizing the joint acquisition, operation and control of such plants and facilities by such districts; authorizing contracts between said districts to accomplish the purposes authorized by this Act; requiring ratification of such contracts by the legally qualified voters of such districts, and prescribing the method of entering into such contracts; authorizing such districts to sell or lease power to municipal and other corporations, firms or individuals; authorizing the establishment of a joint office for two or more such districts and the employment of a general manager, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 253.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 253, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 51, Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, regulating publi-

cations in newspapers inserted by public officers, agents and agencies; prescribing the rate of charge thereof; fixing the price to be charged for political advertising; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time, and Senator Moore of Hunt offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend H. B. No. 253, by striking out the last five lines of Section 5 of the typewritten copy and insert in lieu thereof the following: "if they are printed in a newspaper. Provided that if said newspapers refuse to publish legal notices in accordance with the terms of this Act, then said legal notices may be posted."

The bill was then passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 76.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 76, A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the taking of certain fur-bearing animals or their pelts for barter or sale, declaring them to be the property of the people of the State; defining trapper, prescribing resident, non-resident and alien trapper's licenses; defining fur dealer; prescribing fur dealer's license; defining resident, non-resident and alien; providing form of trapper's and dealer's licenses, their distribution; providing for certain exemptions; defining tenant; regulating the season; providing for disposition of funds; prescribing penalty for violations; providing for enforcement, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time, and Senator Murphy offered the following amendment; which was read and adopted:

Amend H. B. 76, Page 4, Section 10, Line 32, by adding after the word "fox", the words "wild racoon".

Senator Murphy offered the following amendment:

Amend H. B. No. 76, page 3, Section 6, line 32, by striking out the word "six" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "twelve."

Senator Pollard offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend H. B. No. 76, page 5, line 22, by inserting before consent the word "written."

Senator Murphy offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend H. B. No. 76, page 2, Section 3, line 28, by inserting before the word "five" the following, "for each county in which said alien or non-resident shall take, kill, or trap."

Senator Murphy offered the following amendments, severally, which were read and adopted:

1. Amend H. B. No. 76, Section 12, page 5, by striking out the lines 17, 18 and 19.

1. Amend H. B. No. 76, page 5, line 14, by inserting after the word "fund" the following: "for the enforcement of this Act and for the propagation of fur bearing animals."

3. Amend H. B. No. 76, page 4, Section 6, line 6, by striking out the word "six" and in inserting in lieu thereof the word "twelve."

Amend H. B. No. 76, Section 9, line 27, by striking out the word "three" and insert in lieu thereof the words "twelve months continuously" and immediately before "trapping, taking or killing."

Senator Floyd offered the following amendments, which were read and adopted:

Amend H. B. No. 76 by striking out Section 5 of the bill.

Amend H. B. No. 76, page 5, line 4, by striking out the word "first" and insert in lieu thereof the word "fifteenth."

Senator Strong offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend H. B. No. 76 by striking out Section 19, page 6, and renumber sections accordingly.

The bill was passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 554.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 554, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating Plemons Independent School District in Hutchinson County, Texas."

The Committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 556.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 556, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Orange Independent School District in the county of Orange, State of Texas."

The Committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 571.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 571, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 14, Chapter 67, Local Laws enacted by the Thirty-third Legislature, for the purpose of funding or refunding indebtedness incurred for road and bridge purposes, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 620.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 620, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating Common School District No. 9, Bailey County, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 621.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 621, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating Common School District No. 2, Bailey County, Texas."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 623.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 623, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating Common School District No. 1, of Bailey County, Texas."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 624.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 624, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the West Camp Independent School District, in Bailey County, Texas."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 625.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 625, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Bula Independent School District, in Bailey County, Texas."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 627.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 627, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating Common School District No. 12, in Bailey County, Texas."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 589.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 589, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create Friona Independent School District in Parmer County, Texas, etc."

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 528.

On motion of Senator Stuart, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and H. B. No. 528 put on its second reading, by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Berkeley.	Parr.
Bledsoe.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Davis.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Russek.
Hardin of Erath.	Smith.
Hardin of Kaufman	Strong.
Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Triplett.
Miller.	Ward.
Moore of Hunt.	Wirtz.
Moore of Cooke.	Witt.
Murphy.	Wood.
Parnell.	Woodward.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 528, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Fort Worth Independent School District, and defining its boundaries; providing that said Act shall automatically extend to all territory which may hereafter be included in the new city limits by an extension thereof, and providing how the territory adjacent to said district may become part of said district; authorizing and providing the manner of selection of trustees, and describing their qualifications and terms of office, and organizing the board of education of the Fort Worth Independent School District and continuing the present school board, known as the board of trustees of the independent school district of Fort Worth, until the organization of the board of education, etc."

The Senate rule requiring committee reports to lay over for one day was suspended.

The committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Stuart, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and H. B. No. 528 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Berkeley.	Fairchild.
Bledsoe.	Floyd.
Bowers.	Hardin of Erath.
Davis.	Hardin of Kaufman

Holbrook.	Reid.
Lewis.	Russek.
Miller.	Smith.
Moore of Hunt.	Strong.
Moore of Cooke.	Stuart.
Murphy.	Triplett.
Parnell.	Ward.
Parr.	Wirtz.
Pollard.	Witt.
Price.	Wood.
Real.	Woodward.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey.

H. B. No. 528 was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Berkeley.	Parr.
Bledsoe.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Price.
Davis.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Russek.
Hardin of Erath.	Smith.
Hardin of Kaufman	Strong.
Holbrook.	Stuart.
Lewis.	Triplett.
Miller.	Ward.
Moore of Hunt.	Wirtz.
Moore of Cooke.	Witt.
Murphy.	Wood.
Parnell.	Woodward.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey.

Message From the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives.
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills and resolution:

S. B. No. 264, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriations to cover deficiencies in appropriations heretofore made for the support of the State Government for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1925, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 265, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriations to cover deficiencies in appropriations heretofore made for the support of the State Government for the fiscal years ending August 31, 1922, August 31, 1923, August 31, 1924 and August 31, 1925, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 393, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriations to pay

the salaries of officers and employees of certain educational institutions and the expenses of maintaining and conducting them as follows, to-wit: Agricultural and Mechanical College, College of Industrial Arts, East Texas State Teachers College at Commerce, State Experiment Stations, Extension Service of Agricultural and Mechanical College, John Tarleton Agricultural College, North Texas Agricultural College, North Texas State Teachers' College at Denton, Prairie View State Normal and Industrial College, Sam Houston State Teachers College at Huntsville, South Texas State Teachers College at Kingsville, Southwest Texas State Teachers College at San Marcos, State Forestry Department, Stephen F. Austin State Teachers College at Nacogdoches, Sul Ross State Teachers College at Alpine, Texas School for the Blind, Texas School for the Deaf, Texas Technological College, University of Texas, including the Medical Branch at Galveston, and the College of Mines and Metallurgy at El Paso, and West Texas State Teachers College at Canyon, for years beginning September 1, 1925, and ending August 31, 1927, and declaring an emergency."

With substitute bill.

H. C. R. No. 43, providing for sine die adjournment March 19, 1924, at 6 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. PHINNEY,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives,

S. B. No. 393—Conference Committee on.

Senator Davis moved that the Senate do not concur in the House amendments to S. B. No. 393 and requested the appointment of a conference committee to adjust the differences between the two houses.

The motion was adopted.

The Chair appointed the following as the committee on part of the Senate: Senators Davis, Murphy, Bowers, Bledsoe and Strong.

Senate Bill No. 445.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 445, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Bullard Independent School District lying in the counties of Smith and Cherokee in the State of Texas; defining the boundaries thereof; providing for a board of trustees there-

of; placing said independent district under the control of the General Laws governing independent districts; providing that no outstanding indebtedness of the Bullard Independent District be invalidated; providing for the annexation of territory, and declaring an emergency."

The Committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

House Bill No. 577.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 577, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 11, Chapter 16 of the Local and Special Laws enacted by the First Called Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature in 1921, same being a special road law for Liberty County, by adding thereto Section 11a, to permit the issuance of bonds by Liberty County for the purpose of funding or refunding indebtedness incurred for road and bridge purposes, and declaring an emergency."

The Committee report, providing that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

House Bill No. 74.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 74, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Big Lake Independent School District, Reagan County, Texas, providing a board of trustees therefor, vesting said independent school district and board of trustees with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred upon the independent school districts incorporated under the General Laws of Texas; providing that the board of trustees of the present school in said district shall continue to act as such until their successors are elected in accordance with the General Laws of Texas, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was passed to a third reading.

Later Senator Woodward moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed to a third reading, which motion was adopted.

The bill was laid on the table subject to call.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 43.

The Chair laid before the Senate H. C. R. No. 43, providing for sine die adjournment for March 19.

On motion of Senator Woodward the resolution was laid on the table subject to call.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 8.

The Chair laid before the Senate, H. C. R. No. 8, providing for the printing of the Legislative Manual and additional copies of the State Constitution, etc.

The resolution was read and laid on the table subject to call.

Recess.

On motion of Senator Wood, the Senate, at 1 o'clock, recessed until 2:30 o'clock today.

After Recess.

The Senate was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Miller.

Message from the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives, Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

The House grants the request of the Senate for a free conference committee on S. B. No. 393, and the following committee is announced on part of the House:

Blount, King, Stevens, Rogers and Chitwood.

H. B. No. 591, an Act adding certain territory to the Eden Independent School District in Concho County.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. PHINNEY,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 359.

Senator Witt asked unanimous consent to take up, out of its order, S. B. No. 359, and there was objection, and

Senator Witt moved to take up, out of its order, S. B. No. 359, which motion was adopted, by the following vote:

Yeas—19.

Berkeley.
Bledsoe.
Bowers.

Davis.
Hardin of Erath.
Hardin of Kaufman

Lewis.
Moore of Hunt.
Moore of Cooke.
Parnell.
Parr.
Pollard.
Real.

Reid.
Smith.
Triplett.
Witt.
Wood.
Woodward.

Nays—8.

Fairchild.
Murphy.
Price.
Russek.

Strong.
Stuart.
Ward.
Wirtz.

Present—Not Voting.

Floyd. Holbrook.

Absent.

Miller.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 359, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Articles 3 and 7 of Chapter 155, General Laws, Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature so as to give the Railroad Commission of Texas authority to make an enforce rules and regulations for the conservation of oil and gas resources of the State of Texas, and to regulate the drilling, location and spacing of oil and gas wells, providing methods and jurisdiction for the enforcement thereof, prescribing penalties, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment

On motion of Senator Witt, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 359 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Berkeley.
Bledsoe.
Bowers.
Davis.
Fairchild.
Floyd.
Hardin of Erath.
Lewis.
Moore of Hunt.
Parnell.
Parr.

Pollard.
Real.
Reid.
Smith.
Stuart.
Triplett.
Ward.
Wirtz.
Witt.
Wood.
Woodward.

Nays—5.

Hardin of Kaufman
Moore of Cooke.
Murphy.

Price.
Strong.

Absent.

Holbrook.
Miller.

Russek.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey.

S. B. No. 359 was laid before the Senate, read third time and passed finally.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 3.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

S. J. R. No. 3, A joint resolution "Proposing an amendment to the General Laws of the State of Texas, relating to mileage and per diem of members of the Legislature."

The resolution was read third time and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—27.

Berkeley.
Bledsoe.
Bowers.
Davis.
Fairchild.
Floyd.
Hardin of Erath.
Hardin of Kaufman
Holbrook.
Lewis.
Moore of Hunt.
Moore of Cooke.
Murphy.
Parnell.

Parr.
Pollard.
Price.
Real.
Reid.
Smith.
Stuart.
Triplett.
Ward.
Wirtz.
Witt.
Wood.
Woodward.

Nays—1.

Strong.

Absent.

Miller. Russek.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey.

Senate Bill No. 9.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

S. B. No. 9, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1340 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, 1911, by providing that the punishment for the theft of property of the value of \$50 or more shall be by confinement in the county jail not more than twelve months or by confinement in the penitentiary not more than ten years."

The bill was read third time and passed finally.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 11.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading.

S. J. R. No. 11, A joint resolution "Proposing an amendment to Article 16 of the Constitution of Texas, by the addition of a new section to said Article 16, to be numbered Section 6; providing legislative authority for the enactment of laws to encourage the conservation of the timber resources of the State, and for the reforestation of deforested lands; for the administration of such laws; for the time and manner of voting upon such proposed constitutional amendment; defining certain duties of the Governor in connection therewith; and making an appropriation to defray expenses of proclamation, publication and election."

The bill was read third time and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Berkeley.	Parr.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Davis.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Smith.
Hardin of Erath.	Stuart.
Hardin of Kaufman	Triplett.
Holbrook.	Ward.
Lewis.	Wirtz.
Moore of Hunt.	Witt.
Moore of Cooke.	Wood.
Murphy.	Woodward.
Parnell.	

Nays—1.

Strong.

Absent.

Bledsoe.	Price.
Miller.	Russek.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey.

Senate Bill No. 336.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading.

S. B. No. 336, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Acts, Regular Session, Thirty-eighth Legislature, Chapter 14, page 18, approved February 17, 1919, relating to pool halls by adding thereto Section 3a authorizing posts of War Veterans, Young Men's Christian Association, religious orders, fraternal orders, labor temples and bona fide State chartered clubs to charge

reasonable fee for use of their billiard tables to maintain such equipment, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and passed finally.

Senate Bill No. 309.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading.

S. B. No. 309, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide that money paid political party committees shall not be counted in the amount limited for campaign expenses, and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith."

The bill was read, and Senator Pollard offered the following amendment, which was lost:

Amend S. B. No. 336, by adding "farm organizations" before the word "labor temples" in page 1, line 22.

The bill was read third time and passed finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—16.

Berkeley.	Parr.
Bledsoe.	Real.
Bowers.	Russek.
Fairchild.	Stuart.
Floyd.	Triplett.
Hardin of Erath.	Ward.
Hardin of Kaufman	Wirtz.
Murphy.	Wood.

Nays—11.

Davis.	Pollard.
Holbrook.	Reid.
Lewis.	Smith.
Miller.	Strong.
Moore of Hunt.	Woodward.
Parnell.	

Absent.

Moore of Cooke.	Witt.
Price.	

Absent—Excused.

Bailey.

Senate Bill No. 346.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading.

S. B. No. 346, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 637, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, with reference to authorizing the incorporation of road districts and authorizing the same to sue and be sued, and authorizing the levying a tax for the payment of judgments."

The bill was read third time and passed finally.

House Bill No. 8.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 8, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Articles 3, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16, 35, 38, 41, 48, 55, 60, 61, 64 and 65, Chapter 73, of the General Laws of the First Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature; and Articles 39 and 53 as amended by Chapter 139, General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, changing certain penalties therein, making necessary changes and regulations repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

There was a pending amendment, by Senator Murphy, which was withdrawn.

Senator Parr offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend H. B. No. 8 as printed, on page 8, line 3, by inserting after the word "waters" the following:

It shall be unlawful for any person during the months of May, June, July and August to place, to set or drag any seine or net or any other device or method for taking fish other than the ordinary pole and line or cast net or minnow seine, of not more than twenty feet in length, for catching bait in any of the following costal waters—Agua Dulce Creek, Oso Creek, Shamrock Cove, Nueces Bay, Ingleside Cove, Red Fish Cove, Shoal Bay, Mud Flats, Shallow Bay, Corpus Christi Bayou.

Senator Strong offered the following amendment:

Amend H. B. No. 8, page 13 by adding two new sections immediately after Section 2, which said sections shall be numbered and shall read as follows:

Section 3. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation, or their agents, to buy or sell, or offer for sale, or offer to buy, or have in his or their possession for sale, or to carry, transport or ship for the purpose of sale, barter, or exchange, any fresh water crappie or bass within the State of Texas.

Sec. 4. Any person violating any of the provisions of Section 3 hereof shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be punished by fine in any sum not exceeding one hundred dollars, and each sale or shipment or act in violation hereof shall constitute a separate offense.

Senator Murphy moved to table the amendment, which motion to table was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—7.

Floyd.	Pollard.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Russek.
Moore of Hunt.	Wirtz.
Murphy.	

Nays—18.

Berkeley.	Parr.
Bledsoe.	Price.
Bowers.	Real.
Davis.	Reid.
Fairchild.	Smith.
Hardin of Erath.	Strong.
Lewis.	Stuart.
Miller.	Triplett.
Moore of Cooke.	Wood.

Present—Not Voting.

Holbrook.	Ward.
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Absent.

Parnell.	Woodward.
Witt.	

Absent—Excused.

Bailey.

The amendment was then adopted.

Senator Murphy offered the following amendment:

Amend H. B. No. 8, by adding a new section to read as follows:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons, corporation or corporations, to erect, set, operate or maintain any fish pound nets in any waters of the Gulf of Mexico within three nautical miles from the coast line of this State, without first obtaining a permit for such purpose as hereinafter provided.

2. Application for permits for the purpose mentioned in the first section of this Act shall be made to the Game, Fish and Oyster Commissioner. Said Commissioner shall issue to the person or persons, corporation or corporations applying therefor, if entitled thereto under the provisions of this Act, a permit, duly signed, to erect, set, operate or maintain a fish pound not in the waters above specified. No pound shall be set, erected, operated or maintained within three miles of any other pound, said measurement to be parallel with the coast line.

The amendment was read, and Senator Holbrook moved to indefi-

nitely postpone the further consideration of the bill and amendment, which motion was lost.

The amendment by Senator Murphy was adopted.

Senator Wood offered the following amendment, for Senator Bailey, who was absent; which motion was adopted:

Amend H. B. No. 8, page 7, line 16, of the printed bill, by adding after the word "waters" the following: "of Copano Bay, Mission Bay in Refugio County, Puerto Bay, St. Charles Bay, Hynes Bay, Contee Lake, Powderhorn Lake, Oyster Lake, and from Port Aransas, Texas, to the south end of Padre Island."

Senator Wood offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend H. B. No. 8, page 9, line 8, by adding after the word "sorts" the following: "for properly locating and defining the mouth of herein mentioned waters, it shall be the duty of the Game, Fish and Oyster Commissioner to erect suitable stakes, monuments or markers at points determined by him as being the outermost boundaries of such waters, such stakes to bear the words 'Warning—Closed Waters'."

Senator Wood offered the following amendments, which were read and adopted:

1. Amend H. B. No. 8, page 10, line 13, by adding after the word "gaff-topsail" the following: "of less than eleven inches in length."

2. Amend H. B. No. 8, page 13, by striking out Article 65 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Article 65. Any person who shall take or catch or have in his possession any bass or crappie from the fresh waters of this State during the months of March and April of any year; or shall take, catch or have in possession any bass of less length than eleven inches, or any white perch or crappie of less length than seven inches, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be fined a sum not less than ten (\$10.00) dollars, nor more than one hundred (\$100.00) dollars.

3. Amend S. B. No. 8, by striking out all of Section 2 of the printed bill and insert in lieu therefor the following:

Section 2. All funds collected by the Game, Fish and Oyster Commission from the sale of commercial fishermen's licenses, fish dealers' licenses,

taxes on fish, crabs, oysters and shrimps, and all other taxed marine life, and all fines and penalties collected for all infraction of all laws relating to commercial fishermen, shall be placed in the State Treasury to the credit of a fund to be known as "Fish and Oyster Fund" and together with the money now to the credit of this fund is hereby appropriated and shall be used by the Game, Fish and Oyster Commissioner; in the enforcement of the Fish and Oysters Laws of this State, and dissemination of useful information pertaining to the economic value of fish and oyster marine life; the making of scientific investigations and surveys of the principal sea food fishes and marine life, for purpose of the better protection and conservation of same; the propagation and distribution of sea food fishes, oysters, and other marine life; the purchase, repair and operation of boats, and the employment of deputies to carry out and enforce the provisions of this Act.

Senator Murphy offered the following amendment, to amend No. 3, which was read and adopted.

Amend the amendment by inserting the words "oyster shell."

The amendment, as amended, was adopted.

Senator Strong offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted.

Amend H. B. No. 8, page 11, by inserting after the word "Article," line 20, a comma, and add the following:

Provided that this paragraph shall not apply to any river originating within the State of Texas and also forming a part of the boundary line of the State of Texas and another state.

The bill was passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Wood, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and H. B. No. 8 put on its third reading and final passage, by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Berkeley.	Miller.
Bledsoe.	Moore of Hunt.
Bowers.	Moore of Cooke.
Davis.	Murphy.
Fairchild.	Parr.
Floyd.	Pollard.
Hardin of Erath.	Price.
Hardin of Kaufman	Real.
Lewis.	Russek.

Strong.
Triplett.
Ward.
Wirtz.

Witt.
Wood.
Woodward.

Absent.

Parnell.
Reid.

Smith.
Stuart.

H. B. No. 8 was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed finally.

(Pairs Recorded.)

Senator Holbrook (present), who would vote nay; with Senator Bailey (absent), who would vote yea.

Message From the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.

Hon Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following concurrent resolution and bill:

S. C. R. No. 19, Requesting congress to appropriate certain money to carry out the provisions of the National Defense Act.

S. B. No. 428, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Articles 492 and 504 of Chapter 5, Title 14, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911 of the State of Texas, by providing that all bonds executed under Article 492, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, shall become void and of no force and effect upon the filing and approval of a new annual bond, as provided for by said Article 491, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, and providing that the forms of bonds as provided in Article 504, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, shall be prepared by the Banking Board of the State of Texas, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. PHINNEY,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 389.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

S. B. No. 389, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting the establishment and maintenance of cemeteries near incorporated towns or cities, and declaring the same to be a nuisance."

The bill was read third time and passed finally.

Senate Bill No. 302.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

S. B. No. 302, A bill to be entitled "An Act reorganizing the State of Texas into supreme judicial districts for the purpose of constituting and organizing Courts of Civil Appeals herein; creating the Twelfth Supreme Judicial District of Texas, with Greenville as the site or said court; providing for the appointment of said court; providing for the appointment and qualification of the judges of said Twelfth Supreme Judicial District, and other officers thereof; providing for the transfer of cases and regulating appeals from the lower courts of the counties constituting said Twelfth Supreme Judicial District of Texas, providing an appropriation for the maintenance of said court, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time, and Senator Murphy moved the previous question on final passage, which motion was duly seconded, and was ordered, by the following vote:

Yeas—13.

Bledsoe.	Price.
Davis.	Russek.
Floyd.	Strong.
Moore of Hunt.	Stuart.
Moore of Cooke.	Wirtz.
Murphy.	Wood.
Parr.	

Nays—12.

Berkeley.	Miller.
Bowers.	Parnell.
Hardin of Erath.	Pollard.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Real.
Holbrook.	Triplett.
Lewis.	Ward.

Present—Not Voting.

Reid.

Absent.

Fairchild.	Witt.
Smith.	Woodward.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey.

The bill failed to pass finally, by the following vote:

Yeas—13.

Berkeley.	Murphy.
Bledsoe.	Parnell.
Bowers.	Parr.
Moore of Hunt.	Pollard.

Reid.
Stuart.
Wirtz.

Witt.
Wood.

Nays—14.

Davis.	Price.
Hardin of Erath.	Real.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Strong.
Lewis.	Triplett.
Miller.	Ward.
Moore of Cooke.	Woodward.

Absent.

Fairchild.	Smith.
Floyd.	

Absent—Excused.

Bailey.

Senator Woodward moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. No. 302 failed to pass, which motion was adopted, by the following vote:

Yeas—15.

Berkeley.	Reid.
Bledsoe.	Russek.
Bowers.	Stuart.
Moore of Hunt.	Wirtz.
Murphy.	Witt.
Parnell.	Wood.
Parr.	Woodward.
Pollard.	

Nays—10.

Davis.	Price.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Real.
Holbrook.	Strong.
Lewis.	Triplett.
Miller.	Ward.

Absent.

Fairchild.	Moore of Cooke.
Floyd.	Smith.
Hardin of Erath.	

Absent—Excused.

Bailey.

Action recurred on S. B. No. 302, on third reading, and

Senator Holbrook offered the following amendment:

Amend S. B. No. 302, by striking out at the beginning of Sub. 1, the following: "The Court of Civil Appeals of the First Supreme Judicial District shall hold its sessions in the city of Houston, Harris County, Texas."

Senator Pollard moved the previous question on the amendment and the bill, which motion was duly seconded, and was ordered.

The amendment was read, and lost by the following vote:

Yeas—12.

Berkeley.	Price.
Davis.	Real.
Hardin of Erath.	Smith.
Holbrook.	Strong.
Miller.	Triplett.
Parnell.	Ward.

Nays—12.

Bledsoe.	Parr.
Bowers.	Pollard.
Floyd.	Reid.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Wirtz.
Lewis.	Witt.
Murphy.	Woodward.

Present—Not Voting.

Moore of Hunt.	Russek.
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Absent.

Fairchild.	Stuart.
Moore of Cooke.	Wood.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey.

Action recurred on the final passage of the bill and the same was passed, by the following vote:

Yeas—15.

Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bledsoe.	Reid.
Bowers.	Smith.
Hardin of Erath.	Stuart.
Moore of Hunt.	Witt.
Murphy.	Wood.
Parnell.	Woodward.
Parr.	

Nays—13.

Davis.	Price.
Floyd.	Real.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Russek.
Holbrook.	Strong.
Lewis.	Triplett.
Miller.	Ward.
Moore of Cooke.	

Absent.

Fairchild.

(Pair recorded.)

Senator Wirtz (present), who would vote yea; with Senator Bailey (absent), who would vote nay.

The Senate was here at ease for fifteen minutes.

Bills and Resolutions Signed.

The Chair, Lieutenant Governor Barry Miller, gave notice of signing, and did sign, in the presence of the Senate, after their captions had been read, the following bills and resolutions:

H. B. No. 380,
H. B. No. 281,
H. B. No. 464,
H. B. No. 42,
H. B. No. 528,
S. B. No. 264,
S. B. No. 265,
S. B. No. 428,
S. J. R. No. 10.
H. C. R. No. 35,

House Bills on First Reading.

The following House bills were laid before the Senate read, severally, first time and referred to appropriate committees:

H. B. No. 545, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.
H. B. No. 549, referred to Committee on State Affairs.
H. B. No. 573, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.
H. B. No. 583, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.
H. B. No. 585, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.
H. B. No. 628, referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.
H. B. No. 500, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.
H. B. No. 591, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.
H. B. No. 591, referred to Committee on State Affairs.
H. B. No. 528, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.
H. B. No. 591, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

Senate Bill No. 434.

Senator Wirtz moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. No. 434 failed to pass to engrossment on yesterday and spread the motion to reconsider on the Journal.

Adjournment.

Senator Bledsoe moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

The motion was adopted.

APPENDIX.**Committee Reports.**

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred H. B. No. 628, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 33, of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature so as to fix the terms of court in the counties composing the Fourth Judicial District, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

PRICE, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 542, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating Cross Roads County Line Independent School District, etc."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 622, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Longview Independent School District in Bailey County, Texas, etc."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 528, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Fort Worth Independent School District and defining its boundaries; providing that said Act shall automatically extend to all territory which may hereafter be an extension thereof, and providing how the territory adjacent to said district may become part of said district; authorizing and providing the manner of selection of trustees, and describing their qualifications and terms of office, and organizing the board of education of the Fort Worth Independent School District, and continuing the present school board, known as the board of trustees of the Independent School District of Fort Worth, until the organization of the board of education, etc."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and being a local bill, be not printed.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 576, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7235 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, as amended from time to time, and as amended by Chapter 97 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, so as to include San Augustine and Sabine Counties within the provisions of said article, which relates to Stock Law elections, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

FLOYD, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 459, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation to the Livestock Sanitary Commission to cover the compensation and expenses of inspectors and the expenses

of procuring and furnishing cattle dip and materials and ingredients for cattle dip, in the performance of duties imposed by law upon said Commission in reference to tick eradication work, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

DAVIS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 435, A bill to be entitled "An Act prescribing the duties of the Board of Control and its auditing division in reference to auditing and accounting, providing for an auditing department or division of such board with necessary employes and facilities providing for accounting and auditing of State departments, boards, commissions and institutions and penitentiary; making an appropriation carrying out the provisions of this Act; amending Chapter 167, General Laws, Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WIRTZ, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, the President of Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 488, A bill to be entitled "An Act making a special road law for Upshur County, defining powers and duties of county commissioners, and conferring upon them such authority as may be necessary to establish and maintain a system of county public roads that will meet the requirement of all the people for convenient inter-communication and for reaching their local market centers, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under considera-

tion, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

FLOYD, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 541, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating Sherwood Independent School District in Irion County, Texas, and defining its boundaries and confirming, etc."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 545, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Flynt Independent School District in Swisher County, Texas, etc."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 573, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Nell Independent School District situated in Live Oak County, Texas, etc."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 583, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Ratcliff Consolidated Common School District No. 34 in Houston County, Texas, etc."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 585, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create Oak Grove School District in Aransas County, Texas, etc."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 500, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Boone County Line Common School District No. 9 lying in Midland and Glasscock Counties, Texas, etc."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 309 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills have had S. B. No. 332 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills have had S. B. No. 450 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. J. R. No. 3 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 346 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. J. R. No. 11 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 9 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 336 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 449 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 441 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 302 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. B. No. 389 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly engrossed.

STRONG, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Enrolled Bills, have had S. B. No. 428 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly enrolled, and have this day at 4:30 o'clock presented same to the Governor for her approval.

FLOYD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Enrolled Bills, have had S. B. No. 264 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly enrolled, and have this day at 4 o'clock presented same to the Governor for her approval.

FLOYD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Enrolled Bills, have had S. B. No. 265 carefully examined and compared, and find same correctly enrolled, and have this day at 4 o'clock presented same to the Governor for her approval.

FLOYD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Public Lands and Land Office, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 174,

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

REAL, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 11, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 106,

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WITT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 10, 1925.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Penitentiaries, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 451.

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

FAIRCHILD, Chairman.

FORTY-FIFTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,

Thursday, March 12, 1925.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Barry Miller.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following senators answering to their names:

Berkeley.	Holbrook.
Bledsoe.	Lewis.
Bowers.	Miller.
Davis.	Moore of Hunt.
Fairchild.	Moore of Cooke.
Floyd.	Murphy.
Hardin of Erath.	Parnell.
Hardin of Kaufman.	Parr.

Pollard.	Stuart.
Price.	Triplett.
Real.	Ward.
Reid.	Wirtz.
Russek.	Witt.
Smith.	Wood.
Strong.	Woodward.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey.

Prayer by the chaplain, Dr. Clark.
Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator Davis.

Bills and Resolutions.

By Senator Stuart:

S. B. No. 453, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 14 of an Act of the Thirty-ninth Legislature approved March 10, 1925, relating to the sale of oil and gas leases on University lands and extension of oil and gas permits heretofore and hereafter issued by providing the conditions upon which said permits may be extended, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Real:

S. B. No. 454, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 3, Chapter 51, Local and Special Laws of the State of Texas, passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, providing for the time for the election of trustees of the San Antonio Independent School District, so as to change the time of holding said election."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

By Senators Parr and Murphy:

S. B. No. 455, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 5585, 5586 and 5587 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, by specifically providing that the provisions thereof shall extend to levees, dikes, floodways and drainways, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Smith:

S. B. No. 456, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 76 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, so as to continue the duration and existence of the district court of Stephens County, Ninety-second Judicial Dis-